

Sabbath eve service. Union prayer-book p. 15-50, Rabbi I. Isaacson. Violin solo, Mrs. John D. Turner. Cultural advancement in the district, Rabbi George Fox, chairman. Baritone solo, Mr. Leon Cole. Oration, Hon. Lucius Solomon. Benediction, Rabbi David Rosenbaum.

Victor Hexter, of Dallas, Tex., was unanimously elected president of the Grand Lodge of District No. 7, Independent Order of B'Nai B'Rith at the closing session of the convention Friday afternoon. A. B. Freyer, of Shreveport, La., and S. G. Westheimer, of Houston, Tex., were made first vice president and second vice president, respectively. Myron Goldman, of New Orleans, and Archibald Marx, of the same city, were unanimously selected to fill the important positions of secretary and treasurer.

Dallas, Texas, was awarded the 1921 B'Nai B'Rith, at Friday's session of the forty-seventh annual convention in Birmingham after Memphis and Montgomery had withdrawn from the race, leaving the field clear for the Texas city. The selection was made unanimous after the Tennessee and Alabama cities had withdrawn.

The following standing committees were elected at the morning session, the selection of president, vice-presidents, secretary and treasurer being deferred until Friday evening.

Board of Endowment Trustees—C. F. Moritz, Montgomery; Herman Weil and Jake Trautman, New Orleans.

Jewish Widows' and Orphans' Home—Lazar Levy, J. H. Bodenheimer, Elkin Moses, Samuel Weil, H. J. Seifert, Sig Kohlman, Myron M. Goldman and Sam Blum, New Orleans.

Touro Infirmary—E. M. Mansburg, G. L. Lazrus, Wm. L. Levy, Herman Weil, E. H. Guttman, Myron N. Kohlman, Scott E. Ber, New Orleans.

Denver Hospital—David Sternberger, Dallas.

Court of Appeals—Nathan Cohn, Nashville; S. C. Eldridge, San Antonio; J. K. Hirsch, Vicksburg; B. Salsburg, Helena, Ark.; Judge David B. Samuels, Shreveport, La.; D. C. Angleman, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Len Lischoff, Pensacola, Fla., and L. A. Abramson, Birmingham.

Civic Rights—Abraham Brill, Shreveport; Isadore Isaac Aronson, Selma; Theo. D. Asher, Little Rock; L. J. Lowenthal, Nashville; Joseph Kahn, Austin, Tex.; Sol Levy, Pensacola, Fla.; Eldon Lazarus, New Orleans, La., and Chas. B. Katz, Tulsa, Okla.

Dallas and Memphis were among the many interesting subjects discussed at Friday's session, which will conclude its deliberations for 1920 with a cultural advancement program at Temple Emanu-El Friday evening at which Lucius L. Solomon, of San Francisco, an official of the Constitutional Grand Lodge, will deliver the principal address.

Both Dallas and Memphis delegations made known to the organization their intentions of building new sanitariums, which, although fostered by and under the management of Jewish citizens, will be entirely non-sectarian in their benefits and will be open to Jews and non-Jews alike.

Preliminary plans indicate that these new institutions will be dedicated as far as possible to the greatest service among the poorer classes. Many other distinctive features were discussed covering this important subject, one of them being the incorporation of a fully equipped and specialized ward for the exclusive treatment of infants and children's diseases. Another move contemplated by the organizers will be a fully equipped "Kosher" kitchen and dietary system for the use of those patients of the orthodox faith.

A pledge of nearly \$30,000 towards the million-dollar fund to be raised for this purpose and pledges of substantial amounts of representative Jewish citizens and numerous benevolent organizations have been received and the Grand Lodge of B'Nai B'Rith went on record as unanimously determined to put these projects into execution.

The visitors were entertained at a luncheon Thursday evening in the Tutwiler hotel. A dance was also enjoyed at the Phoenix Club. Friday the delegates were taken for an auto-

mobile trip through the industrial and residential sections of the city, and on their return were guests of the different Jewish homes of Birmingham.

The program arranged for the services to be held Friday evening at Temple Emanu-El is as follows:

Organ prelude, "Under the Leaves" (Thome), Mr. Emile Levy. Anthem, choir.

Prayer, Rabbi Leonard J. Rothstein.

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MEMORIAL ADDRESS BY RABBI LOWENTHAL, CHAIRMAN.

Death is the saddest, darkest, most solemn, most inevitable fact in the world; we cannot ignore it. Death is the one event of awful significance to every one born into this world. Small or great, noble or base, wise or dull, we cannot evade it. To ignore death, to belittle the importance of death in the economy of human existence, to take no account of the tragic occurrence which divides us from the familiar things we hold so dear, from the love and the light so precious to us, is an impossibility. For, since the first funeral, the Angel of Death has not remained away anywhere, for any length of time. He allows no respite. He is ever crying out, give, give. From our own comparatively small district, has he summoned many comrades within a single year. Like strong-hearted men, we fulfilled our appointed task and accompanied our brethren to their last resting place. Yet our duty has not ended at the cemetery gate. The human heart craves for more than decent burial. The wife, the mother, the sister longs for sympathy. The children are not satisfied to know that the body has been laid beneath a blanket of flowers. They want to linger over the memory of their dear ones. They long to know that there is something beyond the grave.

And so we have set aside this hour to pay tribute to memory of our departed brethren and to extend to their loved ones our brotherly sympathy.

With reverent admiration we mention the names of:

Emanuel Lodge No. 103 lost during the past year Brother David Weil, a Jew of splendid qualities. For many, many years he was President of Kahl Montgomery. He was active always in behalf of suffering humanity and he was an exemplary husband and father.

Gus D. Levy. A member of Gulf Lodge No. 221, New Orleans, Louisiana. He took a great interest in all matters appertaining to the welfare of his fellow-men, and occupied a lofty place in civic and communal affairs. Without warning, without cause, it was an assassin's bullet that laid him low.

American Jewry sustained a great loss by the death of Samuel Grabfelder. He was a nationally known philanthropist; a liberal giver to institutions in all parts of the country. Of late years his chief philanthropic interest was in the National Jewish Hospital for consumptives in Denver, Colorado, of which he was President for twenty years. To this institution he gave very large sums. He was a gentleman of fine qualities of heart and demeanor.

We also desire to pay a tribute to the memory of Ella Wheeler Wilcox, the popular writer. In her death we Jews have lost a friend. She was one of the very best known American women writers, and in her writings there is much that helped to dispel narrowness and prejudice. She was in fact a liberal of the highest type and thousands of those who knew her, and even more of those who did not know her, will mourn her loss.

Sam Sanger of Waco, a great worker in every good cause.

Judaism mourns the loss of Dr. Sigmond Maybaum, senior member of the Berlin Rabbinate, and one of the

foremost Jewish pulpit orators and theologians.

Alfred Levy, Grand Rabbin of France.

Jacob Guttman, Rabbi and philosophic author.

We mourn the loss of:

Etreaka Lodge No. 198—B. Haber,

Sam Sanger, J. I. Nathan.

Adassa Lodge No. 208—Isidore

Sugar.

Edar Lodge No. 211—Samuel

Mayer.

Alpha Lodge No. 219—Henry Ro-

senstein, Abe Simon.

Gulf Lodge No. 221—Wm. Cohn, R. Block, Gus D. Levy, Simon Dresner. Hill City Lodge No. 241—Sol Ber-

man.

Zacharias Frankel Lodge No. 243—

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Corsicana Lodge No. 275—Mose

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